ABOUT SACL!

Made up of people from all walks of society, we have all, at one time or another, been victims of deep-rooted corruption in the legal profession. Although all our cases are dissimilar, a vicious underlying theme pervades throughout, and that theme is the complete lack of redress from a self-regulated, hence corrupt, legal profession that has denied us any justice. Its legal mechanics have picked our pockets and then laughed in our faces for the privilege. It was these harrowing circumstances that united us in common purpose.

There is a similar pattern with many of them that illustrates a readymade plan of action, or defence, by crooked lawyers to pre-empt exoneration for their crimes - with no little help from their fellow conspirators in the Law Society, the Faculty of Advocates, the Crown Office and the judiciary.

Having been forced into the corridors of depravity in our civil courts over prolonged periods, we soon learned the sad truth about the crooked operatives in the legal profession and their deceitful, fraudulent habits. A typical example of how they operate is in divorce cases. Never has the Italian proverb "A bad agreement is better than a good lawyer" been more pertinent. If one of the litigants does not conspire with one or both of the lawyers to deprive the ex-partner of his/her just deserts, the two lawyers will customarily prolong the case until such times as all the spoils are in the hands of the lawyers through their legal fees. The litigants end up with little or nothing for their rancorous squabbles when they could more properly have settled for a "bad agreement" at the outset, leaving them both better off.

And it is not just solicitors who are corrupt. They cannot operate in a vacuum. Their criminality must be rubber-stamped by the "beaks". It is the whole system that is corrupt, from the top, down!

SACL campaigns to alter that. The responsibility ultimately lies at the doorstep of the Scottish government. To date, they have not had the spine to stand up to the judiciary and the wider legal profession. They allow lawyer MSPs to control all the arguments in Parliament for the benefit of the legal profession as a whole. Their would-be party allegiance takes a back seat. They also totally disregard their constituents who deserve an ethical, efficient, well-organised, trustworthy, and accountable legal system.

Accountability lies at the heart of everything. Self-regulation = unaccountability = deep-rooted corruption; nothing less!

This is why we campaign on the first Wednesday of every month at 12noon outside the Scottish Parliament. Our efforts are aimed towards, inter alia, ending self-regulation of the Law Society of Scotland and removing the privilege they abuse when presiding over complaints made by aggrieved members of the public against the very lawyers the Law Society licenses to give audience in court in the first place.

Self-regulation MUST end because it is a most unscrupulous, dictatorial system, concocted by lawyers, for lawyers, to cover-up their routine abandonment of duty.

The more people who join us in our fight improves our chances of effecting change. It may or may not be too late to reverse our own individual situations, but having had the misfortune to experience the law according to the many "respected" legal vultures in the extended legal system, we feel we have a duty to ensure that unwitting, trusting people do not fall foul in the future to the vagaries of the low-life maggots who operate "criminally" in the civil courts.

We are not anarchists, but law-abiding citizens who strive, by necessity, to embarrass the powers-that-be to take responsibility for the mess our legal system is in. We hope you can join us at some of our demos.